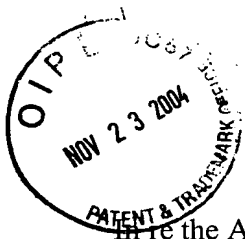


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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the August 26, 2004 Office Action, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.